

REMARKS

This Amendment is in response to the Office Action mailed June 16, 2005 filed concurrently with a Request for Continued Examination. In the Office Action, claims 17-32 and 41-46 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112, claims 17-18, 21-22, 29-30 and 41-43 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) as being anticipated by Adachi (U.S. Patent No. 6,256,334) and claims 25-26 and 44-45 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Adachi.

Accordingly, Applicants respectfully submit that the Examiner reconsider the rejections based on the amendments set forth above and withdraw the outstanding rejections under 35 U.S.C. §§ 102, 103 and 112.

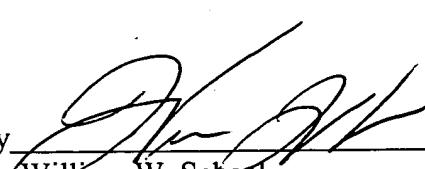
Conclusion

Applicants respectfully request that a timely Notice of Allowance be issued in this case.

Respectfully submitted,

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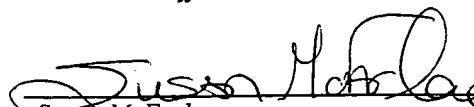
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